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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Honorable Commissioner:

This is a request for continued examination filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. The filing fee required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is enclosed. The applicant is a small entity.

This is also a petition for a one month extension in time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136. The extension fee required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is also enclosed.

The Fee